

REMARKS

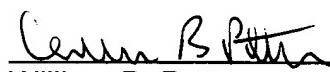
This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated December 10, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 10, 2005. Claims 21-40 remain pending in the application, have been allowed by the Examiner, and are shown above. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

The abstract has been amended to have 149 words as requested by the Examiner. Applicants submit that the abstract is in proper form. Further, Applicants updated the parent application information as requested by the Examiner. Thus, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objection to the specification.

Claim 21 has been amended to correct matters of form as requested by the Examiner. These amendments are not presented to distinguish a reference, thus, the claims as amended are entitled to a full range of equivalents if not previously amended to distinguish a reference. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the objection and allowance of the claim.

Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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